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Dear Colleagues

Re: Funding for Innovation: Connected Vehicle Data

Derby is a City with ambition. While the economic conditions in the UK remain challenging, Derby has continued to grow and provide high quality well-paid jobs in the advanced manufacturing sector. Employment in this sector is nearly twice the national average with exports in the top quartile, providing a boost to the national economy. This sector places great importance on good transport links.

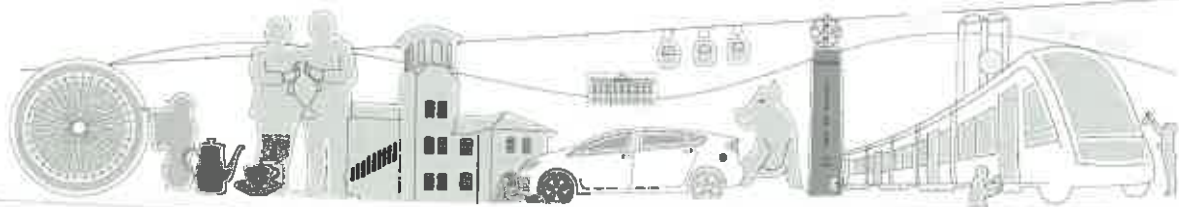
The opportunity to bid now is timely. Derby City have submitted a Band 3 on the Self-Assessment Incentive questionnaire, as we believe we have made a step change in the way we manage our assets and make the most effective use of limited resources. We have made significant strides in the way we deliver our winter service. Working in partnership with Vaisala Ltd and employing latest best practice from around the world, we have made efficiencies of over £500k in the last seven years.

Now utilising pioneering technology through Artificial Intelligence and Computer Vision, we will work with Vaisala Ltd and ISS Ltd to pursue cost effective asset management in the most revolutionary way. To have the support of two SME's working in partnership with us makes for a truly exciting venture.

Being able to showcase connected vehicles using our own refuse fleet, we will exploit every opportunity to make efficiencies using our front line services.

We feel we have a strong business case that meets your requirements and as Leader of the Council, I am pleased to submit our bid for the competition.

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I very much support this application and feel that a successful bid would play a vital part in making Derby a safe, strong and ambitious City

We look forward to hearing the outcome of this bid.

Yours sincerely



Councillor Ranjit Banwait
Leader of the Council



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